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## GOOD ROADS.

### Important Subject Before Mountain People.

As in this part of the country, in very bad condition. Many months ago the county commission in the letters from the county correspondent of the Big Sandy News, was very emphatically the deplorable condition of the roads in this place are improving. Those whose business called them to try the sad condition of the highways recognized the bad condition and without reservation that the roads are impassable. County and Fiscal Courts are one of the worst of our ways, and when it comes to permanent betterment of the roads of the county and judges announce a law, but how is the betterment made?

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## Mack Stewart Killed By Train.

At Pritchard, W. Va., between 7 and 8 o'clock Sunday morning, the mangled body of a man, who had been crushed to death by the wheels of a train, was found and identified. His form was literally ground to pieces, but bits of the clothing, one whole shoe, and a pocketbook were recognized as belonging to Mack Stewart, a resident of Pritchard, who had been employed by the Armistead Contracting Co. at their work on the C. and O. near Seary, W. Va. Stewart had come to Catlettsburg on Saturday, and returned over the C. and O. However, in crossing from the Kentucky side to West Virginia, he was not seen by anyone, either in Buchanan, or Pritchard, nor was it learned where he spent the time from 6 o'clock, when the train arrived at Buchanan, until after night.

He must have been killed after night, else his death would have been discovered before morning. His arms and legs were ground up as though run through a mill, while the parts of his face and head were so grimy as to be almost unrecognizable. The friends and relatives of the dead man gathered up the remains, sent to Louisville for a coffin, and had conducted a proper funeral and burial, Sunday afternoon.

Stewart was 42 years of age, married, and leaves a wife and four children. He was connected with some of the best families of the Big Sandy Valley, being a nephew of Dr. J. F. Hatten, of Buchanan, a brother of Mrs. Samuel Turman, of Kaysanburgh, and a brother of Joseph Stewart, in Ashland. A very strange feature of the sad event is that David Stewart, a brother of the deceased, was killed four years ago, in exactly the same manner on the Kentucky side, and his body was found on the C. and O. tracks.

## COURT DECISION

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## THE CONTEST.

### Vote of the Various Candidates for the Jamestown Trip.

DISTRICT A.	No. Votes.
Miss Kizzie See, W'bridge, Ky.,	6200
Mrs. Fannie Wade, Louisa,	4020
Miss Minnie Stone, Louisa,	3525
Miss Janet O'Brien,	2595
Miss Emma Carey, Louisa,	2495
Mrs. Nancy Preston, Louisa,	5
Miss Ida Huette, Louisa,	5
DISTRICT B.	No. Votes.
Miss Berta Cooper, Cherokee,	825
Miss Mary Queen, Buchanan,	320
Miss Lillie Chambers, Estep,	15
Miss Dora Webb, Webbville,	5
DISTRICT C.	No. Votes.
Miss Elizabeth Burgess,	2495
George Creek,	2495
Miss Ethel Swatnam, Wilbur,	755
Mrs. Julia Allen, Lowmansville,	105
Mr. J. W. Hinkle, R'dison,	5

Above is a correct summary of the candidates and their votes up to Thursday morning of this week. All ballots will be preserved so that any question that might arise may be settled beyond question.

We are trying to arrange to add some very attractive features to the trip. We expect to have the contest party stop over in Richmond, Va., which is a very interesting city, because of the important part played there in the history of this country. Also, on the return trip we hope to arrange to come from Norfolk to Washington City by steam, stopping en route at Mt. Vernon, the home of George Washington. Washington is the city of greatest interest to every citizen of the United States.

From Norfolk there will be side trips to Virginia Beach and Old Point Comfort, two of the most popular bathing resorts on the Atlantic coast. A dip in the ocean and a view of this great, restless body of water is alone worth the cost of a trip.

Don't you think all of this is worth an effort? If you would like such a trip free of cost, or if you have a friend that you want to have the benefit of this great opportunity, now is the time to enter the contest.

The contest has not yet fairly started through the county, but if there are any other prospective candidates they should enter the race without further delay. Do not put it off too long. This is an opportunity that you can not afford to neglect. It will never come to you again.

### Special Delivery.

That the Postoffice Department is making every effort to insure promptness in the delivery of the mails, and at the same time adopt every means possible for the convenience of the public, is again evidenced in the order issued by Postmaster General Meyer, pursuant to an act passed at the last session of Congress, to the effect that after July 1 no special delivery stamps will be necessary on letters to insure their immediate delivery. After the order becomes effective it will be necessary only to put ten cents' worth of stamps of any denomination in addition to the regular postage on a letter, with the words "Special Delivery," written on the envelope, to guarantee its prompt delivery.

### Well Known Salesman Sick.

J. M. Rice continues very ill at his home in Catlettsburg, and his condition is such as to occasion his family and friends much anxiety. He is being cared for by his daughter, Mrs. Ida Hoback, the well-known trained nurse, and it is hoped that under her careful nursing he may be restored to health.

For many years Mr. Rice was a merchant doing business at Whites Creek, W. Va., and later was well known as a traveling salesman up the Sandy Valley.

The first teachers' examination of the season is being held in this city today and will be concluded tomorrow.

A son of John Stump was hurt at Richardson yesterday by a falling timber. He is on the C. and O. bridge force.

## Kentucky Normal College.

After a successful and prosperous term the Kentucky Normal College ended its first Louisa session last Friday. Nearly all the non-resident pupils have returned well satisfied to their homes, many, however, remaining for the teachers' examination now being held here. And the NEWS feels quite sure that pupils of the K. N. C. who apply for certificates will be successful.

It is not necessary to recapitulate the trials, difficulties and obstacles which beset the opening term of the college. They were very many, some of them serious, but determination and hard work, coupled with high and noble purpose, are great factors in a struggle for success, and these essentials brought about victory for Professor Byington and the school. The attendance was very large, and the signs indicate that it will be very large next year.

Material to be used in the new school buildings is being prepared, and the work of constructing large and suitable quarters for the accommodation of pupils will be pushed as rapidly as possible.

### Boat Rides a Raft.

The very unusual spectacle of a steamboat riding a raft of logs down the Ohio river was witnessed by scores of people who happened to be on Front street in Catlettsburg recently.

There was a big timber run in Big Sandy river and thousands of logs have been coming out of that stream. A large fleet of rafts got away from the men in charge of it and swept out of the mouth of the river, catching and carrying before it the steamer Natchez, which was moored near the wharboat.

The boat struck the wharboat and held fast until the raft was pushed under it by the force of the current, then the whole show started down the Ohio, the boat being almost entirely out of the water, and careened a little to one side. The fleet was caught at a point near the Vansant-Kitchen Mill.

### He Can Show Them.

Dr. E. C. Jenks left Wednesday afternoon for Louisville where he goes to attend the meeting of the Kentucky State Dental Association. He is on the programme to hold a clinic in the presence of the assembled tooth carpenters, and his subject is, "How to Take a Correct Bite."

The genial handler of forceps, drills and other nice looking instruments of torture will be a personal demonstration that he has taken a good many correct bites, but the "bite" under consideration is the one taken by the individual who is being measured for a set of movable teeth.

Huntington's third in the recent series of suicides being pulled off there, occurred Sunday evening when John Gallaher took his own life by drinking carbolic acid. Gallaher was in the vicinity of the Chesapeake and Ohio depot when he drank the drug, and had walked but a few yards along Ninth street before he fell to the street overcome by the poison. A physician was hurriedly summoned, but the man was dead before he arrived.

Robert Gault, son of Mrs. Malissa Gault, of Louisa, died in Salt Lick, Bath county, last Friday. His sisters, Mrs. Dora Cook, and Miss Birdie Gault, left here for his bedside Thursday, and his brother Paul left Friday night. Mr. Gault was a bachelor and was about 39 years of age. He was for a long time a hotel clerk in Frankfort and was well known and popular.

L. E. Fitzwater and family, of Charleston, are occupying the Shannon property on North Jefferson st. Mr. Fitzwater is traveling salesman for Noyes, Thomas and Co., Charleston.

Mrs. A. Blaine York, nee Miss Clara Mahan, is critically ill at her home in Washington, D. C. She is the daughter-in-law of John Y. York, of Yorkville.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Conley entertained Friday evening. The out of town guests were Mrs. George F. Wroten, of Savannah, Ga., Miss Nell Powell, of Onancock, Va., and Miss Heloise Thomas, of Cincinnati.

## PERT PARAGRAPHS

### Picked Up At Pike, Paint and Prestonsburg.

Rumored that the Big Branch Coal Co., is being organized with \$50,000 capital stock by Messrs. Beury and Crouch, Charleston, W. Va.

Levisa Oil and Gas Company, of Floyd county, with \$100,000 capital stock. The incorporators are J. C. C. Mayo, of Paintsville, W. S. Harkins and G. H. Dimick, of Prestonsburg, J. W. M. Stewart, of Ashland.

Sycamore Coal and Coke Co. will be incorporated to operate in Big Sandy field; capital stock to be \$100,000; officers are R. C. Peacock, 2902 Mickle street, Camden, N. J., president; S. C. Stathers, Fairmont, W. Va., vice-president and general manager; John D. Courter, Camden, N. J., secretary and treasurer.

The Buchanan and Dickenson Railway Co. has been chartered to build a line 25 miles long in Dickenson and Buchanan counties; headquarters at Jane, Va. The incorporators are Leon Isaacson, president, John F. Hager, James G. Sercy, William F. Rapp, B. Whitman, Edward Lambert and G. F. Adams.

About thirty indictments have been returned at the present term of the Pike Circuit Court against members of the Craft Distilling Company, charging them with selling whisky in violation of the local-option law at the Marrowbone mines in Pike county. Heavy fines have been entered against the same parties on indictments made last term.

Pikeville, Ky., May 12. — The Yellow Poplar Lumber Company, of Cold Grove, O., has organized a railway company and procured a charter in Virginia for the building of a line beginning at the mouth of Grassy to Pike county, running up Grassy creek and through the Grassy flats in Dickerson county, Va., a distance of about twelve miles to the Russell's Fork of Big Sandy river. The object is to transport timber from an upward of 20,000 acres of land owned by the company in Dickerson county. James Hatcher, of Pikeville, has been employed by the company to superintend the construction and the removal of the timber.

### Real Estate Deal.

J. P. Gartin has purchased the Arlington Hotel and the building occupied by J. B. Crutcher. The purchase includes the lot from a line with the outside stairway at Crutcher's store to the corner of Perry and Main streets, and back to the alley which separates this property from P. H. Vaughan's. The transfer was made yesterday by R. A. Biekel, Trustee.

### Quarterly Meeting.

The quarterly meeting service at the M. E. Church, South, was held by Presiding Elder Gosling Sunday evening. On account of the sickness of the pastor no services were held Sunday morning. The quarterly conference was held at the parsonage Monday.

It is not a little singular that three persons in different cities and not of kin, but nearly related to Louisa people, should die about the same time. John M. Corns, of Ironton, father-in-law of Mrs. Reba Lackey Corns, died last Thursday; Mr. Fred Wessel, of near Ironton, brother of Mrs. S. J. Justice, died the same day, and Mr. Robert Gault, of Owingsville, brother of Paul Gault, died on Friday.

Last Monday chief police of Matewan, J. B. Maynard, arrested James Ball, of Tabors creek, on a charge of having helped conceal some goods, stolen by his daughter, May Ball, from a hotel at Matewan, where she had been staying. The goods stolen were carried away in a suit case by her father.

Sir Knight W. F. Shipman and wife went to Maysville to attend the Annual Conclave of the Kentucky Grand Commandery.

## Convention Call.

The Democrats of Lawrence county are called to meet in relative strength convention in the various voting precincts on June 22nd, at one o'clock p. m., for the purpose of voting for candidates for the Democratic nomination for Judge and Commonwealth's Attorney of the 32nd Judicial District, to be voted for at November election, 1907.

The various democratic precinct Committeemen in each County shall on said 22 day of June, 1907, at 1 o'clock p. m., at or near the voting place in their voting precinct from the democratic voters in said precinct appoint tellers one for each candidate, who shall count the voters present and find the number voting for each candidate. Said tellers and precinct committeemen shall certify to their County Chairman the number of votes cast for each candidate which certificate shall be delivered to the County Chairman of each county by said tellers or precinct committeemen within three days from June 22, 1907. Should there be no Democratic precinct Committeemen in any precinct in said Judicial Dist. present at the time stated the Democratic voters present shall elect a Chairman who appoints two Tellers who shall proceed to count the vote for each candidate and certify and deliver same as above stated.

All Democrats 21 years of age and those who will be 21 by Nov. 5, 1907, shall be allowed to vote in their respective precincts in said convention. John S. Carter, chm. Bert Shannon, sec.

### No Dog Tax to Pay.

Lawrence Circuit Court, January term, 1907, 25th day January, 1907. John Hughes, Piff., against H. B. Salter, &c, Defts.

The defendant filed demurer here-in and waived time and on this motion this cause was submitted on demurer. The demurer being heard and the court being sufficiently advised the demurer is overruled, defendants failing to plead further. It is therefore adjudged that the defendant Robert Meade be and is perpetually enjoined from listing dogs for taxation as the Assessor of Lawrence county under said act and that the defendant, H. B. Salter as Sheriff of Lawrence county be and is enjoined perpetually from collecting the dog tax listed under said act by the Assessor during the year 1906 and from collecting such tax upon any future assessment, this act being held unconstitutional, against public policy, and void. A copy. Attest, Bert Shannon, Clerk.

### Most Beautiful Women in Ky.

The Beauty Contest conducted by the Courier-Journal during the past three months has been concluded, and the pictures of the successful ones will be printed in the Sunday Courier-Journal May 26. Several thousand photographs were submitted in this contest. The three most beautiful have been selected by a committee of well known people. These three will be entered in a National Contest, to find the most beautiful woman in the United States. Everybody will want to see the pictures of the most beautiful woman in Kentucky. If you do not get the Sunday Courier-Journal by mail or through an agent, send 5 cents for a copy of this issue of May 26 at once to the Courier-Journal Company, Louisville, Ky., and see the faces of the three most beautiful women in the State.

Miss Kate Freese entertained very delightfully Monday evening with whist and seasonable refreshments. The guests not resident were Mrs. George Freese Wroten, of Savannah, Miss Nell Powell, of Onancock, Va., and Miss Heloise Thomas, of Cincinnati.

What the subscribers are now asking: "Who are you going to vote for to go to Jamestown?"—Elizabeth-town News.

The subscribers of the Big Sandy News are asking, "Whom are you going to vote for?"

F. M. Hewitt and Miss Fennie Blodgett, of Fort Gay were married, Wednesday of last week, at the home of Wm. Bartram, at Fort Gay, the Rev. L. D. Bryan officiating.